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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroaki NAKAGAMI, et al.

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 5, 2002, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration in light of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 17.

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A granular pharmaceutical composition comprising a drug having a disagreeable taste, a wax, and a sugar alcohol, wherein the composition has a particle size ranging from 50 to 200 μm and is able to flow through a tube having a diameter of at most 1 mm without clogging the tube.

3. (Amended) A granular pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein the drug having a disagreeable taste is slightly soluble in the wax.